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ASK CONTROL OF WORLD'S OIL RESOURCES BY U.N.

WORLD ALLIANCE OF CO-OPERATORS DECLARES VIEWS

Would Place Oil Resources of
World Under Authority
of United Nations

INTERNATIONAL OIL CO-OP.

Co-operative Principle May Help
Close Breach Between East and
West Economies

The following report, written by George Morison of the New York Times, has been received for publication by The Western Farm Leader from our news service—the Co-operative League News Service of the U.S.A.:

ZURICH, Switzerland.—The Sixteenth Congress of the International Co-operative Alliance has decided upon a fight to the finish against capitalism and against "predatory private monopolies" in particular.

This was apparent from the opening of the Congress here until it closed after approving by an overwhelming majority resolutions that saving the oil resources of the world should be placed forthwith under the authority of the United Nations.

State Department's View

The Congress was opened with an address by Carl Breuer, official observer for the United States Department of State, who declared that "the United States Government could not but be friendly toward a co-operative movement . . . whose philosophy as regards trade is in harmony with the proposals of my Government for establishment of an international organization to promote multilateral trade by mutually lowering all trade barriers."

"Article Four of the Atlantic Charter, a document enumerating basic policies whereon hopes for a better world are based, states that there shall be equal access by all—victor and vanquished alike—to trade and raw materials of all the world that were needed for their economic prosperity," Mr. Breuer said in his address that opened the congress. "Petroleum," he continued, "certainly is one of those raw materials. Co-operators believe that plans for setting up a petroleum co-operative owned by the co-operatives in many countries and established for the sole purpose of serving the needs of their consuming members may do much toward realizing this objective of the Atlantic Charter."

Insists Upon Control by U.N.

The Congress finished its labors on adopting a resolution, saying that "with a view to implementing the Atlantic declaration . . . the sixteenth congress of the ICA emphasizes in the strongest terms the need for placing the control and administration of the oil resources of the world under the authority of the United Nations, and that as a first step in that direction the oil resources of the Middle East should be administered in such a way

Record Year - U.F.A. Co-operative

Foods Co-ordinator



Frank S. Grisdale, Olds (above), who has been appointed Foods Co-ordinator of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. Joining the Board in January, 1942, Mr. Grisdale was appointed Deputy Foods Co-ordinator and Administrator of Meat and Meat Products in February, 1943. Mr. Grisdale was for some years Minister of Agriculture in the Alberta Provincial Government. He was formerly Principal of the Olds School of Agriculture.

that co-operative organizations can be assured of receiving their equitable share."

International Oil Co-op

Two days before the ICA congress opened, the International Co-operative Trading Agency assembled in Zurich and approved formation of an international co-operative petroleum association, first proposed by Howard A. Cowden, President of the Consumers Co-operative Association of Kansas City, at the ICA congress in Paris in 1937. It authorized a \$15,000,000 capital for the ICPA, whose registered headquarters most likely would be in New York, the capital to consist of 150,000 shares of common stock of \$100 par value a share, whereof \$900,000 already has been pledged. Operations will begin as soon as central organizations of ten of the twenty-two member countries have signed the rules and bound themselves to pay their share of the capital or at least \$500,000 altogether. Soviet Russia does not yet belong to the ICPA, but England is expected to decide to join.

Working on a non-profit enterprise basis, the ICPA will aim at breaking the power of monopolies, assuring distribution of world oil supplies strictly in accordance with the practical needs of all consumers, thereby lowering prices and eliminating conflict in conserving the world's natural sources of oil.

Asked before the Congress began

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Women Co-operators of World Demand Economic Boycott of Franco Spain

ZURICH, Switzerland.—Economic and financial boycott of Franco Spain was called for by the International Co-operative Women's Guild Congress which preceded the Congress of the International Co-operative Alliance here. In the main Congress, the U.S.S.R. introduced a resolution in even stronger terms, but this clashed with the diplomatic policies of certain countries represented, and the resolution was toned down finally to form merely a protest against the destruction of the co-operative movement in Spain, and a declaration that "non-democratic regimes, wherever they exist, are a serious threat to the national development of co-operative organizations."

Wheat Import Needs of World Are Now 800,000,000 Bus.

Ottawa Correspondent Reviews Grain, Beef Cattle, Hogs and Dairy Products Situation

By M. McDougall

(Special to The Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, Oct. 30th.—While the wheat importing countries will not be in need of such a large quantity of cereals in 1946-47 as last year, it is nevertheless quite clear that the needs will still be great. The past season in North Africa has been favorable, where the crops augment production of France and other nearby countries, but there has been drought in areas of Eastern Europe, and in the Western part of the continent, in Britain in particular, but also to some extent in Holland, Belgium, Denmark and part of France, heavy rain storms damaged crops in the fields.

Importing Countries' Needs Great

In general, it is stated Europe will need to import 500,000,000 bushels, and with Eastern imports requirements of 300,000,000 bushels, the great wheat producing countries will have to export about 800,000,000 bushels in all. Certainly Canada will have no difficulty in disposing of its available surplus from the 441 million bushels crop plus its 70 million carryover from last year, after allowance is made for the domestic needs, the lower grade wheat which will be used for feed, and the export contract of 160,000,000 bushels to be shipped to Britain this year with possibly 40 million more asked by the British ministry of food.

1946 Wheat of High Quality

The quality of our wheat this year, agricultural authorities point out here, is quite high, the survey of the board of grain commissioners showing a

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This was already a certainty when the Executive of the Co-operative met in Calgary under the chairmanship of George E. Church on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 22nd and 23rd, though of course the final figures for the year could not be available at that time, nor are they available in detail yet, though the record is established.

First eleven months of the financial year showed an increase in the distribution of Maple Leaf gasolines and oils of just over 30 per cent as compared with the corresponding period of 1944-45.

Expansion of Store Business

In the volume of merchandise and bulk supplies handled by the Co-operative there was a large increase, the central store at Calgary being outstanding with a total of \$538,414.40 for the eleven months, while for the fifteen stores of the Association the total was \$1,450,560.05.

Representatives were appointed as follows to the Annual Meeting of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture: M. H. Ward, D. H. Smith, W. J. Hoppins, Norman F. Priestley.

Mr. Priestley was also appointed fraternal delegate to give greetings to the Annual Meetings of the United Grain Growers and the Alberta Wheat Pool, both of which will be held in Calgary in November.

In the preparation of a brief in opposition to the application of the Canadian railways for an increase in freight rates, the U.F.A. Co-op. will join with the Executives of the United Farmers of Alberta and the Alberta Federation of Agriculture.

general protein content of 14.2 per cent compared with 13.8 per cent last year. The lowest content recorded since the surveys began was 11.4 per cent in 1927 and the highest 15.1 per cent in 1941. The protein content is an index of the baking quality of the wheat and Canada's richer wheat imparts strength to the lower protein wheat of other countries. This year's larger crop and earlier harvesting in more favorable harvesting weather are

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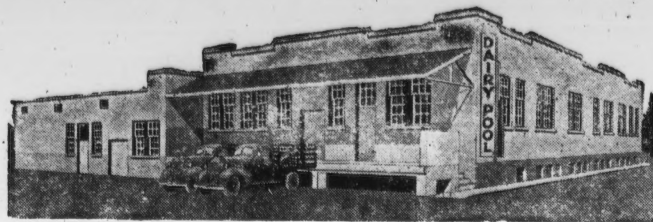
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Co-operation - The Danish Way

By HARRY C. HENSLEY,

Principal Agricultural Economist, U.S. Farm Credit
Administration

Editor's Note: Looking the other day through a publication of the Farm Credit Administration of the United States entitled News for Farmer Co-operatives, we came across the following fascinating story by an American, of the methods and achievement of the Danish co-operators. It has the special virtue of being right up to date. Of course, we knew that Mr. Toppenberg would be interested, because he was born in Denmark and got his early training in the dairy industry there, as well as further training and experience in other parts of Europe and in the British Isles. We referred the article to him, and he agreed that it would form a useful feature for the S.A.D.P. Section, because, as he put it, "We can always profit ourselves by looking at what people are doing in dairying in other parts of the world." Let us add that while we Westerners all take pride in the "new trails" that have been blazed here in the field of co-operation, actually, the Danes, for example, were blazing similar trails half a century ago.

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tural countries. Danish farmers are noted for their intensive development of livestock and Danish agriculture compares favorably with that of any other nation—including the Midwest dairy section of the United States.

Number of Co-ops Up

I found Denmark not greatly changed from the country Chris L. Christensen studied in the early 1920's and reported in USDA Bulletin 1266, Agricultural Co-operation in Denmark—a study which probably has exerted a more beneficial influence over American co-operatives than any other similar study. Although co-ops were dominant factors in the agricultural economy of Denmark when "Chris" made his study, they have since further strengthened their influence. The number of agricultural co-operatives increased from over 5,000 in 1920 to more than 7,000 in 1944. The volume of business handled during the same period has grown from nearly 1.5 billion kroner (1 kroner equals 20.88 U.S. cents) to nearly 3 billion.

Among the most important products of the country are butter, bacon, eggs, and seeds.

Co-op. Butter

Through a mild December snowstorm, I drove out to a typical co-op creamery, "Langager" near Olstykke, 25 miles from Copenhagen. The manager, Mr. Larsen, and his wife, graciously received our party in their home, and while tea was being served he told us the story of the organization. Some 57 years old, it has 150 members residing within a radius of 2 miles, contributing an annual volume of 3 million kilos (1 kilo equals 2.2 pounds) of milk, one-half of which is normally consumed as fluid milk in Copenhagen.

In general, co-op creameries vary in size, with most of them now processing milk of 800 to 1,200 cows from farms within a radius of 2 to 3 miles. As I went through the plant I was reminded of one of our early co-ops, the Clark's Grove Co-op Creamery in Minnesota. The plant, although small, was clean, equipped with modern machinery, and showed evidence of great care by the well-trained creamery manager. Many co-op creameries were organized in the horse-and- buggy and gravel-road days; hence, like many of our own, they are now too small for efficient operation.

Dairying of Major Importance

The dairy enterprise in Danish agriculture is of major importance. Ninety per cent of all milk sold from

"ON ACCOUNT of co-operatives, Danish farmers have turned out products more in conformity with what the market desires, have received higher prices than they otherwise would have secured, and have increased output to a larger degree than they otherwise would. Moreover, consumers of Danish agricultural products have been served the preferred products in greater quantities and at lower prices than otherwise would have prevailed."

This is the conclusion of Dr. Einer Jensen, a well-known economist of Danish ancestry, who now is our Agricultural Attache to the American Legation in Switzerland.

Would History Have Been Different?

I recalled Dr. Jensen's conclusion while traveling by plane last December from The Hague to Copenhagen as I looked down on the rich Schleswig-Holstein area which Germany took from Denmark in 1864. Would history have been different had the Germans developed co-operatives the Danish way? Will history be different if the policy of the United Nations is to encourage co-operation the Danish way?

Today, the Danes are known for their highly developed system of co-operatives. From their ports sail merchant ships loaded with butter, bacon, eggs, and cheese, produced by co-operatives.

In area, Denmark is about one-third the size of New York State; 3.8 million people live there, one-fourth of whom are farmers. The middle-sized farm of 25 to 120 acres operated by its owner predominates. However, close to 50 percent of the farms are less than 25 acres. These small holdings are very intensively farmed and to a great extent rely on the co-operatives to process and market their products.

Not Greatly Disturbed by Occupation

Five years of German occupation have not greatly disturbed 60 years of sound agricultural planning and progress which revolutionized the economic and social life of the Danish people. Today, the number of cattle is at about prewar levels, and there has been only a 50 percent decline in the number of poultry and hogs produced. If prices are favorable and normal quantities of commercial fertilizers and feedstuffs can be obtained, Denmark will quickly resume her place among the world's foremost agricul-

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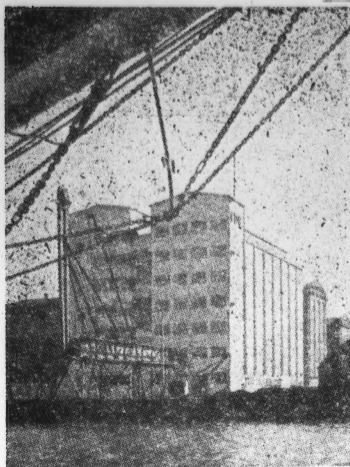


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farms is delivered to co-op creameries, of which there are some 1,400. Eighty-five percent of the huge quantities of skim milk, available as a by-product from butter manufacturing, is utilized principally in feeding hogs, which are handled in co-op packing plants.

The first co-op creamery was organized in 1882 at Hjedding, near

Eabjerg, embodying principles upon which the co-op movement in the dairy industry was built. The so-called "co-operative contract" which is basic in Danish co-operatives, emerged at 5 o'clock in the morning after a long night of deliberation, where, following a meeting in which a board of directors was elected, three farmers put the ideas agreed upon in writing. This incident is emphasized by Dr. Jensen in order to stress the fact that the Danish co-operative movement is an independently developed, farmer-created movement which was planned and developed by the farmers themselves without any outside guidance or support.

Danes Set Up Own Principles

Danish farmers were organizing to do business in an improved way and did not know they were founding a co-operative movement. Thus emerged the contract containing the following principles upon which Danish agricultural co-operatives are founded:

1. Members bind themselves by contract to deliver to the association all milk produced in excess of home requirements for a certain period, usually 10 years.
2. Members are jointly and severally liable for all financial obligations incurred by the association.
3. Membership is open to all milk producers.
4. Each member has one vote.
5. Generally, there is a weekly pooling of prices and an annual or semi-annual pooling of expenses, with prices pooled according to butterfat and expenses according to pounds of milk delivered.
6. The general assembly (annual meeting) is the supreme authority in the association's affairs.

(To be continued)

Correspondence

Minister and Old Age Pensions
Yacolt, Wash., U.S.A.

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

From John H. McDonald's criticism of my explanation re amount of aid to Old Age Pensioners in this State, he reveals that the Minister knew all along that in this part of the U.S., more than \$50 per month was being paid to each recipient. The State of California pays even more, which he must have the figures for.

It was stupid of me to overlook the Social Security grant from the Federal Government. The State collects it, of course. It also has a working arrangement with the Local Country Governments whereby it carries out its full program of caring for pensioners' health, such as county poor farms being turned into homes and hospitals for the sick and infirm pensioners.

Sales Tax Big Contribution

But the big contribution toward paying for the project is made by the collecting of the sales tax. All monies go into the State Fund and cheques are issued from the State itself; hence the scheme becomes known as Washington State Pensions, just as we speak of Alberta Old Age Pensions.

Much sympathy is shown needy people, especially the aged, and a movement is on here now to have the amount raised at the coming session. As an Old Age recipient in Alberta recently expressed it in a letter: "Thank God there is a country somewhere that is trying to do right by its old people."

In dealing with them, we think they should be dealt with in terms of their needs. In this State all I've contacted seem to be comfortable enough. They have every health benefit anyone should have and they do not have to live off their relatives and friends. \$50 to \$64 per month is good purchasing power where climate is mild, fuel cheap as electricity is here, and fruit can be had for the gathering.

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U.S. and enough fruit goes to waste to feed the city of Calgary and then some. Aged people don't need much meat, which is the highest priced item these days.

We don't know what Mr. McDonald means by the 49 States. We've never heard of more than 48. Alaska and Hawaii have both voted to become States and, if the next Congress ratifies their decision, we will have 50 States. In the meantime we'll get along with 48, actual count. Also the amount of money received this year by pensions will exceed 1945, as it has been raised to meet the needs of a higher cost of living.

We sincerely wish Old Age benefits in Canada would keep pace with the rising need there.

CORA J. KERNS.

Chattanooga, Tennessee, has saved its consumers of electricity \$19,900,000 in the first six years of its municipal ownership operations.

Under the auspices of the Co-operative Union of Canada, a Western Conference of co-operative officials is being held this week from Thursday, Oct. 31st to Saturday, November 2nd, inclusive, in the members' committee room, Parliament Building, Edmonton. The present situation in Canada in respect to taxation of co-operatives will be discussed in great detail, such questions as "What conditions must be fulfilled before patronage dividends can be deducted from income?" and "How is tax to be computed?" being dealt with. Among other subjects for discussion are Credit Unions, Service Co-operatives, Mutual Insurance Companies, and Essentials of a Provincial Co-operative Act. A conference has already been held in Quebec for co-operative officials of the Maritimes, Quebec and Ontario.

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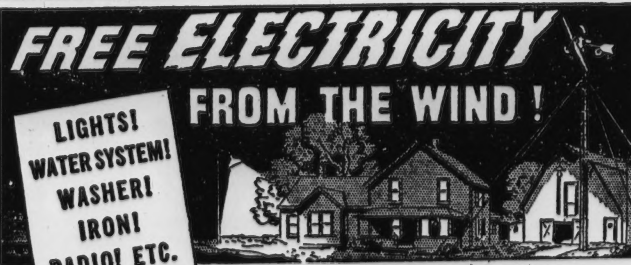
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UNITY IS IMPERATIVE

From the beginning of the movement towards unity among farm organizations which led to the formation of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, *The Western Farm Leader* has welcomed this development.

It has always been our belief that unity is essential to the attainment of the goal of equity and a square deal for agricultural producers. Without unity, we must fall short of our goal—unity, first in the Provincial field, and after that in the Dominion as a whole, and beyond that in the form of an organization of the primary farm producers of the world.

Today the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, and the International Federation of Agricultural Producers provide the bases for action in all of these fields. All of these organizations are young. In order that they may attain to maximum strength and full maturity, they will need vastly increased support from the farm people themselves. The International Federation of Agricultural Producers, of course, is as yet in the early formative stage. It does, however, provide a foundation upon which to build.

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SOME OF FEDERATION'S ACHIEVEMENTS

In the national field, the results of the formation of a Dominion body representing nearly all the great and small farmer organizations and enterprises have been impressive.

This was made quite clear the other day by George E. Church, President of the United Farmers of Alberta, one of the member bodies of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture.

The Canadian Federation of Agriculture, Mr. Church pointed out, "did speak with great effectiveness for the farmer on the land when after the bitter days of the thirties it led the way in calling Western conferences and organizing delegations to Ottawa, which directly resulted in raising the initial payment then made by the Canadian Wheat Board from a low of 60 cents per bushel, first to 70 cents and then to 90 cents."

The Canadian Federation spoke for the Western farmer, Mr. Church added, "when, as a result of the second great conference, and a subsequent delegation to Ottawa, the Prairie Farm Assistance Act was passed, which gave the Western farmer the beginning of a scheme of crop insurance which . . . has since afforded relief to thousands of farmers in the drought areas of the West."

Again, said Mr. Church, the C.F.A. spoke for the farmers of the West, when in 1942 it obtained a further increase in the initial payment on wheat to \$1 per bushel, "and had the satisfaction of seeing its entire program for that year put into effect in terms so similar to its recommendations as to remove any doubt of the effectiveness of its presentation."

It spoke for the Western Farmer, he went on, "when its demands for the establishment of floor prices for farm products, and the insistence with which it pressed these demands, led finally to the passage of the Agricultural Prices Support Act of 1944, and the provision for a revolving fund of \$200,000,000 to stabilize farm prices following the war and to provide a floor below which the prices of farm products should not go." It spoke for the Western Farmer, he declared, when "it asked and obtained from the Dominion Government adequate

AGE

*Our children's children weave a shining thread,
In fabric time has worn grey and thin.
Resentment of the changing scene is shed,
As patterns of a better life begin
To show their shape and form, and overlay
The fading colors of a dying age.
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*In these young lives, that are ordained by fate
To bridge the gorge dividing old and new,
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And there we glimpse the paths we helped to hew,
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Mankind beyond the shadow of despair.*

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

farm representation on all boards dealing with matters affecting the farm economy."

The Agricultural Prices' Support Board, as stated, was brought into being through efforts of the Canadian Federation. The Dominion Government, when provision was first made for the creation of this Board, was pledged to give representation of the organized farmers in the fashion desired by themselves.

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NEED FOR EXPANSION

In a recent conversation a very good friend of ours whose heart is in the effort of the farm people to win security and the assurance of a just share of the national income, suggested that perhaps the Federation had "become a little top-heavy". Our friend was apparently under the impression that some great bureaucracy had been built up or was in danger of being built up, that might prove detrimental to the farmers' best interests.

We think that we, and another friend who took part in the conversation, were able to dissipate our friend's fears. The fact is, of course, as we were able to show, that the President and Secretary and a couple of stenographers today form the staff of the office maintained by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in the National Capital at Ottawa. The Federation there is gravely understaffed. To give the service to the farm people which it should be able to give, a very substantial increase is desirable. Several trained economists could be used to great advantage. They are needed to specialize in various branches of the agricultural economy, in order that the case for the farming industry may be presented with exhaustive statistical detail, whenever the need may arise.

A great deal more could be written on this matter. Let it suffice for us to state at this time that Canada's great industrialists and financiers and traders and the non-farmer interests in general, maintain national offices and staffs on a very substantial scale indeed. Their maintenance is not only amply justified, in the minds of Canada's business leaders; the expenditures incurred are considered indispensable.

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Of course the head office in Ottawa is the national focal point of the various Provincial Federations, which carry on continuously many essential services to the organizations which sponsor them. It is noteworthy that the Boards of Directors of both Provincial and Dominion Federations are for the most part farmers actively engaged in the

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A.F.A. NOTES

By JAS. R. McFALL, Secretary

Federation Annual Meeting.—Ben Plumer, Chairman of the Alberta Wheat Pool, will be one of the guest speakers at the Annual Meeting of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture which will be held in Calgary, December 11th and 12th.

Mr. Plumer was sent to the International Conference of Agricultural Producers held in London, England, last May, as Alberta representative with the Canadian Federation delegation. His address will deal with the highlights of this trip and the objectives of this all important conference of International Agricultural producers.

Oppose Freight Rates Increase.—At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, a resolution was passed supporting the Provincial Government in its efforts to present a strong brief against the freight rate increase asked by the Canadian Railways Association and in supporting this move the Executive was instructed to prepare a brief on behalf of Alberta farmers.

It was pointed out by the Directors present that any excessive increase of freight rate would be disastrous to the economic welfare of the producers in this Province. With a ceiling price established on practically all farm

Higher Sheep, Swine, Shorthorn Cattle Prices at Calgary

Higher prices for sheep and swine and for Shorthorn cattle were the outstanding feature of the annual fall shows and sales held in Calgary last week. Hereford cattle dropped an average of \$78, as compared with last year; Shorthorn prices increased by an average of \$18. The 224 head of swine sold brought an average of \$62.38, compared with \$45.08 in 1945, and sheep sold averaged \$42.06, as against \$34.61 last year. Top price for sheep was \$290, for a Suffolk ram consigned by C. H. Borwick, Drumheller; the champion Suffolk ram, consigned by P. J. Rock and Son, Drumheller, brought \$180. The highest price ever paid for a boar in Canada was another highlight of the sale: it was \$625 for the champion Yorkshire boar, bought by W. H. Ferguson, Calgary, from Donald Webster, Airdrie. Emil Cammaert, Tudor, bought the champion Shorthorn female, shown by N. D. Latimer, Bowden, for \$335, while D. A. Mouser, Claresholm, paid \$425 for the reserve champion, also shown by Mr. Latimer. Top price of the sale was \$1,150, paid by Edward Hehr, Midnapore, for the champion Hereford female, shown by Hunter Bros., Macleod.

produce the increase would have to be borne solely by the Producer, unless a complete readjustment of prices is made, and unless this is done, the results will be ruinous.

Livestock Conference.—The Annual Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, which will be held in Winnipeg January 27th, 28th and 29th, is so planned that one day of the session will deal entirely with livestock and feed policies. This will be a very important session for Alberta's representatives, as the success of many Alberta farmers is dependent upon livestock production.

Affiliate members of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture should be prepared to discuss these problems at their own Annual Meetings so that the delegates sent to the Winnipeg meeting will be able to speak with authority for the producers of this Province.

Coming Events

The annual meeting of United Grain Growers, Limited, will be held in Calgary November 5th and 6th.

The Alberta Beekeepers' Association will hold their annual convention in Calgary, November 13th and 14th.

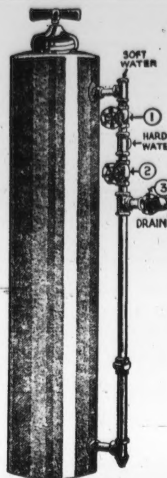
The Alberta Wheat Pool annual meeting will open November 26th. It will be held in Calgary.

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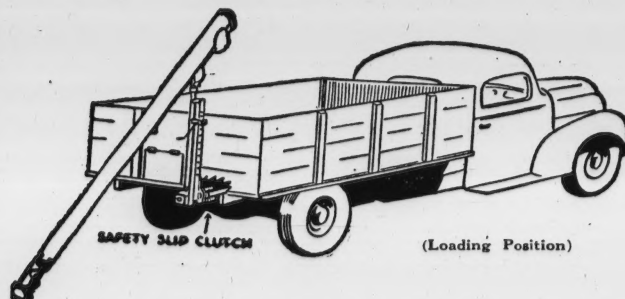
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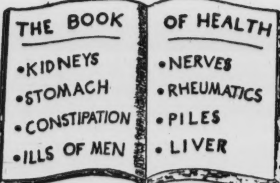
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today.

The shipment consisted of
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Alberta's finest eggs.

This is the second car to be
shipped from Red Deer this
fall.

Celebrate Silver Wedding

A large gathering of friends gathered
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Debs
Nelson to congratulate Mr. and Mrs.
Emry Williams upon their 25th Wed-
ding Anniversary on Sunday, October
13th.

The happy couple were the recipients
of a beautiful gift of silver from their
many friends.

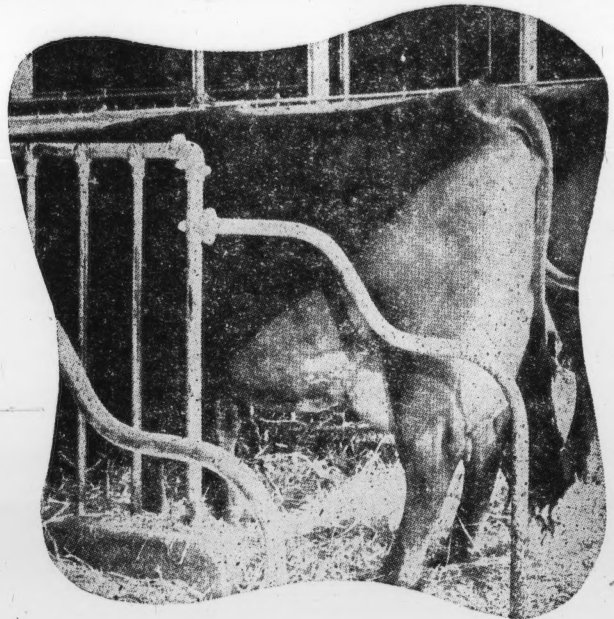
Mr. and Mrs. Williams have been
members of the C.A.D. Pool for many
years and two of their daughters,
Hazel and Ivy, are valued members
of the C.A.D.P. staff at Ponoka.

A feature of the gathering was the
singing of a number of Welsh national
songs.

The Directors and Management of
the C.A.D.P. join in the good wishes
for many years of happiness to come
for Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

CLIPPING AS AN AID IN QUALITY MILK PRODUCTION

As with everything else there's
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clipping dairy cows. This cow
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standards, as required for human
consumption, all recognized sanitary
practices must be observed.

Clean milk—NOT CLEANED MILK
—is what is wanted. Clean milk is

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practices are adopted and performed
systematically. Health standards and
regulations do not require a thing
impossible for the dairy farmer to do.
In fact, good dairymen have been
meeting the most stringent standards
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Cleanliness must be practiced to
achieve quality. Milk, at the time
taken from the healthy cow, is in its

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breast or more than ten elsewhere on
the body. They must have no discolor-
ation from any cause and must have
no tears on the breast. Tears else-
where on the body must not exceed
two, and in turkeys (as also in geese)
must not be over three-quarters of an
inch in length. (To qualify for any
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CENTRAL ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION

Loyalty to Your Dairy Pool

By H. K. K.

*Barnacles cling to ships and retard their progress.**Your Dairy Pools have some "milkers" whose ambition is to get all they can and give the least possible.**Every industry is thus handicapped. If it prospers, it is because there is a majority made up of men and women who strive to build up their Dairy Pool business as they build up their own farms. They are people of vision and integrity.**To these we suggest even more fervid loyalty to repel the efforts of the few who wish to cause dissension within your own ranks.**Your Dairy Pool faces a bright future providing the members take full advantage of their opportunities. They can only do so by working together and they CAN work together only by appreciating each other's problems.*

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We must know your wishes in respect to the policy you want us to adopt in the event of the Non-Delivery Strike being called again. Send in your ballot today if you have not already done so.

highest state of quality. This is the first place that outside contamination can gain entrance into the milk. Therefore, the condition of the cow, whether she is clean or dirty, is important in producing clean milk. Clipping the udder, belly, flanks and

tail of milk cows is recognized nationally by dairy authorities as a material aid to the production of a higher quality milk. Many state and city health departments require that cows be clipped in the interests of sanitation. Only clean cows produce clean milk. Dairy men and plant fieldmen are very definite in stating that it is next to impossible to get a cow clean unless she is clipped.

Need for Clipping—According to research conducted by the Bureau of Dairy Industry, fresh milk from dirty cows contained 1016 percent more bacteria than fresh milk from clean cows. This is most convincing evidence that cows must be clean at milking time. By keeping the cows clipped, dirt and filth accumulation is reduced and the job of washing and cleaning the cow, in preparation for milking, is accomplished much more quickly and easily. The first point at which sediment contamination occurs is thereby greatly reduced or perhaps eliminated.

This source of sediment contamination, if allowed to remain, can increase the bacteria count of milk. The Michigan State Experiment Station reports that clipping dairy cows reduces the bacteria count of milk. The report covers four series of tests made on milk from a group of healthy cows.

The bacteria count for each test was:

1. Not clipped nor wiped with a chlorine solution—20,000 per c.c.
2. Not clipped but wiped with chlorine solution—6,800 per c.c.
3. Clipped but not wiped with chlorine solution—5,000 per c.c.
4. Clipped and wiped with chlorine solution—550 per c.c.

The same four tests were made on cows where mastitis was prevalent. The bacteria counts were:

1. Not clipped and not wiped—350,000 per c.c.

(Continued on page 9)

Death of John Hull

It is with deep regret that we report the accidental death of Johnny Hull. Whilst eating breakfast in a Red Deer cafe Wednesday morning, October 23rd, Johnny's coat tangled with a gun which was in a corner. The gun was discharged and the charge caught Johnny under the heart, causing instantaneous death.

John Hull was born in Manchester, England, in 1904, and came to Canada in 1926. Joining the staff of the Central Alberta Dairy Pool in 1939, he went through the various departments of the Condensery and in 1942 he was moved to Head Office as a member of that staff, which position he occupied up to his death.

A very active member of the Red Deer Lions Club, he was its Secretary for 1946. John Hull took his full share of community work, and his passing will be a great loss to our community.

Johnny was not married and he leaves behind his mother and a sister in Manchester, England.

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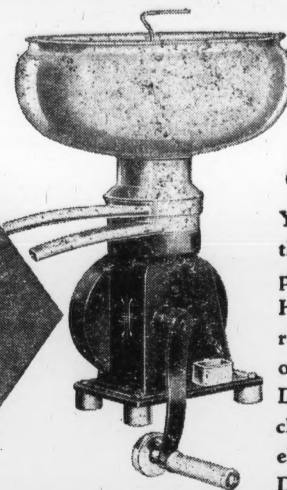
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Business totalling \$384,835 was done by the Acadia U.F.A. Co-operative Association during the financial year which ended June 30th last. D. C. Thornton, Educational Director of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative Association, reported to *The Western Farm Leader*, on his return from attending the annual meeting of the Acadia association in Youngstown. The statement was presented by D. H. Smith, for the Board of Directors. Held on October 21st, the meeting, of which Jake Frey was chairman, elected as Directors for the coming year Messrs. Frey, Nelson, Proudfoot, Corrym, Edwards, Byler, Cameron. Reports were presented on Goose Lake Livestock Shipping Association, by Lorne Proudfoot; on Co-operative Implements, W. Byler; on East Hanna

POST-WAR CHRONICLE

Oct. 17th.—Bodies of eleven leading Nazis (ten hanged Wednesday, and one a suicide), cremated and ashes dispersed.

Oct. 18th.—Chances of averting third world war are about 50-50, says FAO Director-General Orr, "and a third world war would be the last war." U.S. suspends negotiations on \$50,000,000 credit and \$50,000,000 sale surplus war materials to Czechoslovakia; suggested reasons include recent Czech charges of U.S. discrimination in giving economic help to other countries, and report Czechs planned re-sale to Romania of some of war material.

Irrigation project, J. A. Cameron. Films were shown in the evening by Mr. Thornton and by R. M. McCool, U.F.A. Co-op Superintendent of Stores reported. F. J. Fitzpatrick was guest speaker.

Oct. 19th.—U.S. is endeavoring to be "patient but firm" in dealings with Russia, declares State Secretary Byrnes; deplores continued "war talk" which hinders economic recovery of Europe.

Oct. 20th.—Turkey rejects Russian proposals for joint Turko-Russian control of Dardanelles. Britain may maintain communications with Orient by military bases on east and west coasts of Africa, and transcontinental highway, is London report.

Oct. 21st.—Soviet delegation to UN will do its part to strengthen world peace, declares Molotov, arriving in New York for general assembly meeting. Social Democrats win control city council in first free election in Berlin since Nazi regime began.

Oct. 22nd.—Determination to achieve lasting friendship among great

powers expressed by Bevin in speech on foreign policy to British Commons; says division between western democracies and eastern states led by Russia must be prevented.

Oct. 23rd.—Unlimited support of the U.S. for the United Nations pledged by Truman, opening general assembly; says meeting, to which U.S. is host, symbolizes abandonment of policy of isolation. Daluige hanged in Prague for "rape of Lidice" and other crimes. In Canadian espionage trials, E. G. Adams acquitted, Agatha Chapman remanded, at Ottawa.

Oct. 24th.—Secretary - General Lie calls on UN to oust Franco and take steps towards restoration democratic government in Spain. Soviet tendency to prevent intercourse of Russian people with rest of the world charged by Attlee, in address to Trades Union congress; charges "fantastic misrepresentation" of outside world by Soviet newspapers. O.P.A. removes controls on all foods except sugar, syrups and rice, in U.S.

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Moslems to portfolios of finance, commerce, communications, health and legislation; Moslem League has given assurances of co-operation, is report from New Delhi. Britain's proposal for control of atomic energy (along similar lines to that of U.S. presented by Baruch) laid before UN by Noel Baker, head of British delegation.

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C.A.D.P. SECTION (Continued from page 7)

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Use of Electric Clippers.—Clipping milk cows is an easy task when electric clippers are used, provided the job is done before the cows become caked with manure. Easy to use, hand operated machines are available for farms not served with electricity. These clippers are inexpensive. The cost of the clipper is insignificant when calculated on a per cow basis over the long life of the machine. A dairyman is directly and immediately benefited by having cleaner cows. The time required to prepare cows for milking is greatly reduced. The ease of cleaning is also an incentive to clip. Filth and contamination cannot adhere to clipped cows like it cokes on unclipped ones.

Actual Area Varies.—The actual area of the cow clipped varies some according to regions and breeds of cattle. This discussion explains the area most generally clipped by dairymen and recommended or required by regulatory officials as revealed by a recent survey. It includes the udder, belly, flanks and tail. The clipper is run on a line from the milk well to the pin bone as a means of marking off the area. This is done on both sides of the cow. The clipper is then started at the hock and running against the lay of the hair continued until the afore-mentioned line is intersected. The tail head is clipped under some circumstances, especially if it is

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Which of the present features or sections of *The Western Farm Leader* are most highly valued by our readers? In the simple questionnaire below we ask your judgment. The replies we receive will be of assistance in planning the contents of the paper for the future. We are not going to list here any of the existing features; but we would point out that some of them appear in every issue, and some not quite so regularly.

Would you please help by filling in and mailing the form printed below? Any comment you may care to add and any suggestions you may care to make concerning for instance the substitution of new features for existing ones, will be very greatly appreciated. The information we seek is for our own use only, and not for publication.

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high or unsightly. The belly is then clipped at least as far forward as the navel or farther if manure accumulation or local conditions make it desirable. The udder is next—clip the hair from the entire surface, being careful to get all the hair between the quarters and on the rear udder attachment. All of the tail is clipped except the switch. If the switch is long, clip off enough of the end so the tail will clear the ground by at least four inches.

First Clipping Early in Fall.—The first clipping of the cows should be done early in the fall. If done when cows are brought out of the pasture and put into the stable, the cows will still be free of manure, thus making the job easy. From now on it is just a matter of keeping the hair short,

which can be accomplished by re-clipping at regular intervals. The rate of hair growth largely determines the frequency of clipping.

The entire body of the milk cow is clipped in some of the milder climatic sections of the country. Another practice commonly followed by dairymen, who especially pride themselves on the appearance of their herd, is the clipping of the head, neck and withers of all their cows.

Progress is defined as going forward. Therefore progress in the dairy field is the discarding of obsolete customs and practices for new and up-to-date ones. Clipping dairy cows is in the latter category because it is one of the fundamental steps essential to quality milk production.

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Dear Farm Women:

I do not think that many Alberta farm people have felt this season one to be celebrated with music and song. The harvest weather has been most trying and the farm strike with all its inconveniences and unpleasant memories has not added to the immediate feeling of joy. Yet I wish to-night to make a few comments about our singing and our music or our lack of it.

The other evening we had the pictures from the National Film Board shown in our community hall. One of the most enjoyable films was called "The Voice of the Prairies," I think. No doubt many of you have seen it and heard it and I hope more will have the opportunity. It was a sound film with pictures and music from the Winnipeg Musical Festival. There were some instrumental numbers on the program—a young girl giving a piano solo, a boy one on his violin. But more were of the singing part of the festival, and particularly of the school-children's entries.

I think we all enjoyed seeing and hearing some of the training of these classes, the interest of the pupils and the sensitive guidance of the teacher. And it was evident that the large audience there was enjoying to the full the different numbers on the program. Also it would seem as though the children themselves were getting their full share of enjoyment from their efforts.

Lifetime Interest

I could not but think as I looked at these alert, interested young faces and listened to their youthful voices, that they were indeed fortunate. They were developing an interest that would last them a lifetime. They were developing an ability which in some few instances might be marked, but which, no doubt, in most cases would not be outstanding. But it would very probably help them to give more pleasure and receive more in the days to come.

And I thought what a pity it was that in our schools we did not make singing and the training for it fill a much larger place in the life of the pupils. It is quite true that in many small schools, with a teacher who unfortunately lacked the ability and training, possibly little could be done at first, although it is always wonderful what can be accomplished when the will and the need are there. The radio and the phonograph might play a very useful part. But in these centres in the larger School Divisions, singing could well occupy a greater place on the curriculum, and teachers could pass on from one centre to another, the same teacher perhaps serving several schools. Nor need we confine the musical efforts to singing only—but could it not well begin with that?

Life offers to most people times when they want to sing for the happy feeling they are enjoying. It also

offers times of disappointment to most; times when singing helps clear the clouds. And in addition to the enjoyment because of being able to take part, even if in only a small way, there is the greater enjoyment of listening to singing because we know and understand it more. Also, children who learn to sing together will learn the better to play together, to work together; and these children will grow to be adults with those positive personalities. We need that.

Can we not help build up a public opinion urging that more money, more time be spent in our schools to help make us more a singing people?

Yours sincerely,

H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Mrs. Spencer Recovering

Soon after our last issue went to press, we received word that Mrs. Spencer had undergone an operation in an Edmonton hospital. Our readers will be glad to know that she is making satisfactory progress, and expects to return to her home this week.

Rosyth U.F.W.A. decided recently to ask their district home economist, Miss Fay Rodney, to give them a demonstration, to have a notions counter and tea in connection, and to invite ladies of the nearby districts.

Farm Home and Garden

House Plants: Often fail to thrive because our houses are too warm, and the air too dry; geraniums, cineraria and primula like plenty of sunshine but a cool temperature. Begonias of the Lady Mac and Christmas Cheer type, and African violets are recommended for a warm room with limited sunshine. Ferns are also suitable for north or east windows; and ivy, wandering jew, and angel's tears will do with even less light.

Harvest Jelly: Use 1 quart cranberries to 2 quarts apples. Wash fruit; cut apples in quarters, cover with cold water, and cook until tender. Wash cranberries and cook in one quart water until tender. Drain overnight. To each cup juice add 1 cup sugar, first boiling juice alone for five minutes; then boil for another 10 minutes or until syrup sheets off spoon.

Honey Steamed Pudding: Mix 2/3 cup honey with 1/4 cup clear dripping; add 1 beaten egg, 1/2 cup milk, 1/2 cup bran, 1 cup raisins; then fold in 1 cup flour sifted with 1/2 tsp. soda and 1/4 tsp. salt. Steam 2 hours.

Apple Salad: Quarter and core 4 apples—don't peel; dice; add 1 cup chopped celery and 1/2 cup chopped nuts, and salad dressing to moisten. McIntosh, Delicious or Stayman apples are recommended for salads for fall and winter; Newtown or Winesap for spring.

Stuffed Cabbage: Add chopped onion and seasonings to minced leftover meat or uncooked sausage meat; after washing a round, firm cabbage, turn back leaves and insert a little of the meat stuffing; then tie firmly and steam for about 45 minutes.

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Twenty-six members answered the roll call at a recent meeting of Conrich Junior U.F.A., in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Snyder. Plans were made for a party in honor of two newly married couples of the district, and a committee was elected to arrange a Variety Show. There was a reading by Don Barker. A sing-song preceded the business meeting, and an entertainment program convened by Audrey Ellis, and lunch, followed.

U.F.W.A. Executive Plans Convention

Plans for the annual convention to be held in Calgary January 14th to 17th next, were made by the U.F.W.A. Executive during a recent meeting in Calgary, and the program for Locals for 1947 was also drafted. It was decided again to bring before the convention two resolutions on sex pervers which had been passed at the 1946 convention; one of these asked for scientific treatment of those convicted of sex crimes with the object of preventing them from becoming "repeaters", and the other asked for more severe sentences in cases of indecent assault.

The Executive voted to purchase copies of the bulletins of the Health Study Bureau for distribution to U.F.W.A. Locals. The Provincial Public Health Nursing Branch is being advised that the members of U.F.W.A. Locals will be glad to do knitting for the layettes sent out by the Branch; many Locals have contributed funds and layettes for this work. It was decided to take up with the Wartime Prices and Trade Board the matter of the scarcity of wooden clothespins.

U.F.W.A. Local News

This month (November) Hazel Bluff U.F.W.A. (Westlock) start their winter schedule of dinner meetings.

"Conservation of Food" was the topic of a talk by the district agriculturist to a recent meeting of Camrose U.F.W.A.

Arrangements for the fall bazaar were made at a recent meeting of Willow Springs U.F.W.A. (Bon Accord) writes Miss Martha Rafn, secretary.

Jenny Lind U.F.W.A. (Scandia) recently instructed their secretary to write to the C.B.C., asking for more music of the better grade, and for continuance of religious programs.

A special invitation to the war brides of the community was issued by Nanton U.F.W.A., and seven of them attended a recent meeting, held in Nanton Co-op Rooms, reports Miss Fern Spencer, secretary. The program included a report from the local Red Cross committee, an address by Dr. Lorna Bellamy, and some musical numbers.



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In the 1945-46 year, just completed, Texsun Citrus Exchange (co-operative) canned 2,540,000 cases of citrus juices. A new building, to cost \$850,000, is to be constructed.

Banks for Co-operatives Lend \$375,700,000

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Credit totalling \$375,700,000 was extended to 1,023 U.S. farmer co-operatives during the 1945-46 fiscal year, through the 13 banks for co-operatives operating under the Farm Credit Administration. In addition to their credit services, these banks serve farm co-operatives in an advisory capacity, and have continued to urge the co-ops to build strong capital structures and to reduce their indebtedness during favorable times.

Forage Crops in Rotations

There is still a great deal of room for expansion in the use of forage crops in farm rotations, says J. E. Birdsall, Supervisor of Crop Improvement. Soil erosion and weeds still take their toll while farmers cling to an unbalanced type of farming. The progress made in one decade however, is heartening and would appear to justify optimism for the future.

The role of the Provincial Department of Agriculture in forage crop encouragement has changed to a great extent from the field of direct financial assistance to that of reserving seed stocks within the Province and providing facilities for their distribution. To this end seed supplies are reserved in the fall and early winter. These are distributed in the late winter and early spring through co-operating distributors appointed by District Agriculturists in all parts of the Province. The Department does however, still assume in some instances part of the cost of seed for the purpose of introducing new kinds or strains and to encourage the use of registered and certified seed in seed producing areas. Growers must have their applications approved by their district Agriculturist in order to qualify for this assistance.

The Russian Government has placed orders valued at over £100,000 with a Belfast engineering firm.

The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,
Superintendent of Publicity,
Alberta Wheat Pool

Authorities are all agreed that overseas demand for wheat will take care of all the exportable surpluses in North America and the southern hemisphere in the 1946-47 crop year. The 1,167 million bushel wheat production in the United States and the 440 million bushel production in Canada this year provide a substantial surplus for export and for building up reduced carryovers. Australia and Argentina will have some wheat to export, but it is not likely to be a large volume.

What Will Happen in Europe?

What will happen to the wheat exporting business in subsequent years is a matter of conjecture. European farmers are working like beavers in an effort to restore the productivity of their agriculture. Dependable information indicates that wheat production will be rapidly expanded. In the period 1935-39 inclusive, average annual European wheat production was 1,632 million bushels.

In the United States, the Government evidently believes that wheat will not be plentiful for some years at least, because the wheat acreage planned for 1947 production is around 70 million acres, or about the same as this year. Of course, it is hardly likely that the high range of production, which has prevailed in that country, particularly during the war years, will be continued. All-time records in U.S.A. wheat production were broken in 1942, 1944 and again in 1946.

Canada has also raised some big crops during the war years. Whether this cycle will long be continued is problematical. Nevertheless, the heavy precipitation experienced in the West this autumn, and particularly in the so-called drouth regions, will certainly give the crop a good start in 1947. It is many years since the fall moisture situation has been as good as it is now.

What's Ahead in World Trade?

All this leads to a contemplation of what is ahead in international wheat trade. European economics, as well as geography, has been considerably disarranged since the end of the war. The trend in the Danube Basin, which is more or less under Soviet Russia's wing, is towards bilateral trade agreements, and particularly with Russia. The Danube Basin is the grain surplus producing area of the European continent. For generations, heavy reliance has been placed thereon for supplies needed in such wheat deficient countries as Germany and Italy. If Western Europe is cut off from the Danube Basin, imports from overseas will have to be made on an extensive scale.

Subsequent to World War 1, and up until 1927, Germany imported on the average around 70 million bushels annually, while Italy imported around 80 million bushels annually. French imports in that period were around 54 million bushels annually. The Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Denmark, Norway, Finland and Greece were also regular importers, taking a minimum of around 125 million bushels annually.

Await Clarification

Until there is more clarification as to the ultimate intentions of Soviet Russia towards economic affairs in Europe, it is impossible to say what the future of the wheat trade with that continent will be. This is a most important matter for wheat exporting countries, of which Canada is the largest exporter. While this Dominion has an assured market for a substantial quantity of wheat in Great Britain for the next four years, outlets in Europe will be needed to maintain a wheat acreage of around 25 million in Western Canada.

Livestock Markets Review

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Oct. 30th.—Good action on cattle market in past week, normal receipts but general quality very ordinary. Bulk of good to choice steers sold from \$11.25 to \$12; good to choice butcher heifers mostly \$10 to \$10.75. Cow market firmed slightly, good cows \$8.25 to \$9; bulls \$8 to \$9. Stockers and feeders of suitable quality in fair demand, good steers \$9 to \$10, down to \$8 for common. Veal calves \$11 to \$12, down to \$7 for heavy and common kinds. Grade A hogs \$19 for shipment, \$18.25 at plants; sows liveweight \$13. Good handyweight lambs \$11 to \$11.75, yearlings \$6 to \$8.

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Oct. 30th.—Cattle market active at steady prices. Hogs \$18.50 Grade A, yards and plants, sows \$13.25 liveweight. Lambs \$12.25 to \$12.50, good ewes \$6 to \$6.50, yearlings \$7.50 to \$8. Good to choice steers \$11.75 to \$12.50, down to \$9.50 for common. Good to choice heifers \$10.75 to \$11.25, down to \$8.50 for common.

The Dairy Market

In Alberta, as in Canada generally, dairy production is running below that of the comparative periods, last year. Prices are unchanged, still standing at the ceiling. Locally, butterfat is 38 cents, plus ten cents subsidy, and prints are 40 cents. Outside quotations are: Vancouver 39-1/4; Montreal and Toronto, 40 cents.

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reflected in the rise of primary marketings in the months of August and September to about 100 million bushels compared with 52 million in the same period of last year.

Officials in Ottawa remain deeply concerned over the transportation difficulties which they state become progressively more serious. The situation has been eased to some extent by the weather which has kept the great lakes and it is hoped will keep them open for several weeks more, but the shortage of ships and the effect of strikes have still to be overcome. The steel strikes have dammed up the production of rolling stocks for the railways, and with the demand on transportation for export of grain abroad, there is great difficulty in shipping coarse grains from West to East to meet demands of livestock and dairymen. This makes the situation very unfavorable in Ontario and Quebec where the dairying industry is intensified.

The beef export industry presents quite a favorable picture. The farm strike naturally resulted in some slackening of cattle marketings, but in spite of this they have been maintained at a fairly good level. This year's contract with Britain calls for a minimum of 60,000,000 lbs. of beef and during the first 43 weeks of the year 66-1/2 million pounds have been shipped. The indications are that by the end of the year over 80,000,000

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Farm Radio Forum

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lbs. will have gone forward. Cattle runs are now heavy and increased slaughtering will result.

Hog Population Down

No such satisfactory report could be given of the bacon industry. The present agreement for 1946 with Britain calls for 450,000,000 lbs. of bacon, but from present shipment rates if we reach 250,000,000 lbs. we will be doing well. There is a basic cause. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics in a recent report shows the hog population of Canada on June 1st as 5,377,000, about 650,000 less than in June, 1945, and 2,771,000 less than in 1943. On December 1, 1943, the high water mark had been reached with about 4,000,000 over the present year's figure. There are some present indications that the downward trend is beginning to level off, but it is very doubtful if we will be able to fill our 1947 contract with Britain for 350,000,000 lbs., and this is also true of the contract for 1948 which calls for 400,000,000 lbs. The high tide of bacon production arose without question from the need of foods in concentrated form in Britain during the war and the plentiful supply of feed in Canada. Denmark couldn't ship as it was occupied by the enemy. Denmark's bacon industry is reviving, although handicapped by lack of feed supplies, but even with this great potential competitor there remains the demand for bacon from this country in Britain, and the fact remains that Canada would seem to be drifting back to the indifferent position it held in the bacon export market in years before the war. There is, however, one great point of difference. The Canadian farmer has developed the quality of his bacon to the point where he can compete favorably, if the quality is maintained, with bacon from any country.

Drop in Milk Production

Last year the milk production was about 13,000,000,000 lbs. This year it will likely be about 500,000,000 lbs. less than this amount. As a result of the lifting of the milk subsidies there has been a decline in domestic demand for milk, but this is certain to be temporary. The present high range of wages and nutrition education which gives milk a first priority will increase

Veterinary Questions and Answers

Veterinary questions sent in by paid-up subscribers will be answered by our graduate veterinarian in this section.

Hogs Develop Cough

J.B., Excel.—Some of my hogs have developed a bad cough lately and have not been fattening as they should. I have been informed that worms will cause this coughing. Is this possible and if so what is the cure for it?

Ans.—Yes, worms will cause pigs to cough. Would advise you to consult your veterinarian, who will prescribe a worm remedy.

Would Fatten for Beef

G.L., Bowden.—One of my cows loses over half of her milk by just leaking out. Is there anything which will help this condition?

Ans.—There is no known method of correcting this condition. In many cases it is incurable, and fattening for beef is the best thing.

EDITORIAL

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operation of their farms.

Let us conclude this discussion by reaffirming a belief which has been steadily set forth in these columns since *The Western Farm Leader* was founded, as it was during the fourteen preceding years when it was our privilege to edit the official organ of the farmers' primary movement. Our belief is that unity, first in Alberta, then in Canada, then in the international field, is a fundamental need. The value of the contribution any of us can make to the welfare of the farm people is measurable by the degree in which we give our support to the promotion of that essential unity.

domestic demand and export requirements are growing.

The demand for fluid milk means less turned into cheese, and already production of cheese is down 23 per cent from last year. It does not seem likely that Canadian producers will be able to fill the 125,000,000 lb. contract with Britain for this year.

Canada has also a contract with the British ministry of food for 600,000 cases of evaporated milk (48 tins to a case). This amount has already been shipped. There is also a contract this year with Britain for 6-3/4 million pounds of dried and skim milk powder, but of this we will be able to ship not more than 5 million pounds.

Cut in Butter Ration Likely

Unless there is improvement in the amount of butter produced (and this is not considered probable) there is likely to be some reduction in butter rations in Canada. The present ration is 6 oz. per week per person compared with 7 in 1945, but stocks of butter are lower than last year at this time. The production to the end of September of 224,000,000 pounds was about 21 million pounds under the same period of 1945. There has been no decision yet on amount of the probable reduction in butter rationing but it is believed unofficially that it may be reduced from 6 to 5 oz. per week per person.

A trouble in the dairying industry has been the labor situation. On the whole the labor front has not been so badly off as expected. There have been enough workers for harvests. Farm wages have been a factor with daily wages of farm help ranging (without board) from \$3.38 in Prince Edward Island to \$5.69 in the prairie provinces. In this connection as already announced the Department of Labor is arranging for the coming to Canada of 4,000 Polish farm workers that have been in the armed forces. It is expected that the first group of 1500 to 2000 will reach Canada about the middle of November. Of the total of 4000, it is thought from 1500 to 2000 will go to Ontario and about

900 to Alberta with smaller numbers to the other provinces. Applications from farmers wishing to employ Polish veterans will be dealt with in order received, and all farmers and Polish veterans will be required to sign for employment for a period of at least one year's duration and at farm wages current in the community.

WORLD CO-OP. ALLIANCE

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where the ICPA expected to obtain petroleum if it started a war on oil combines, Mr. Cowden replied that one available source would be Venezuelan royalty oil, secured by a twenty-year contract. Venezuela produces 1,000,000 barrels of oil daily, whereof 12-1/2 per cent is accessible to independent purchasers. This, however, would not suffice permanently.

Potentialities of Middle East

Expert investigations made last year in behalf of the United States Government showed that although the Middle East now produces only six per cent of the World's Oil, the potentialities of that region are no less than 15 to 16 per cent, but more likely 25 to 27 per cent and quite possibly 100 billion barrels. Both the United States and Soviet Russia spent their oil resources prodigally in fighting World War II, and the Middle East supplies now are the only known sources that are able to replace the American sources as these give out. Petroleum is a rawstuff as vital to peace as to war.

Soviet Russian oil supplies already are insufficient for the primary needs of industry, mechanized agriculture, and transport. Hence the perpetual conflict in the Middle East among the "Big Four". Only by placing these gigantic oil reserves under the administration of the United Nations and assuring adequate oil supplies at reasonable prices to all could the danger of war be eliminated, and this would be welcomed by all small Middle East States themselves.

Soviet Delegation's View

Most significant are these facts: first, that the Soviet Russian delegation approved the initial form of the ICA resolution demanding that Middle East oil be administered by the United Nations, and abstained from voting for the final form only because this implied United Nations control of all oil reserves—including those of Russia, Rumania, Hungary, and Austria, and, secondly, that the chief of the Soviet Russian delegation, insisted at great length that powerful support for the co-operative movement is received from the Governments of the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia.

This indicates that world distribution of vital rawstuffs by co-operatives would be compatible with ideological principles of both privately owned and State-directed forms of economy and hence opens the prospect of closing the breach between the West and the East.

Finally, the Congress adopted a resolution tabled by the American delegation asking that "co-operatives would not be at any disadvantage in having access to funds made available for reconstruction by the international bank." From these facts it is evident that for the weightiest political and

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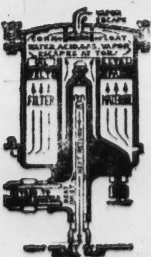
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That reminds us we always thought that Brazil was a friendly country until we discovered the other day that

she is now shipping mouth organs to Canada.

News item seems to indicate that "Russia is after Turkey again." Oh, well, maybe Stalin just can't wait until Christmas comes around.

HERE'S MARY AGAIN

Mary had a little goat,
It's coat was black as pepper,
And every where that Mary went,
The goat would follow after. —V.B.

VOLLY VOLLEYS AGAIN

Never underestimate the power of a beautiful woman, says Brother Barabash. It's doubtful if even the devil knew what Eve was after—or what he let himself in for.

HEROISM IS WHERE YOU FIND IT

A small Red River farm settlement was being attacked by Indians. The farm hands hurried for the safety of the house. The war whoops came closer and closer. The farmer gathered a few eggs from the chicken house and threw them into his bosom. Arrows were flying thicker than Autumn leaves. The farmer, half panicky, stumbled over a partition and sprawled on the barn floor with the still warm eggs oozing all around him. The hired men rushed back to help him. He bravely flattered himself to the occasion: "Boys, go on; run for the house—I'm finished," he said.

—Volodimir Barabash.

The new goblin: The atom bomb will get you if you don't watch out.

Knotty Frankie postcards to inform us that a man is happy when he finds a woman whom he can mold nearer to his heart's desire until he discovers that other men can do likewise and then he is miserable.

"Mr. Blackmore splits a hair," says the *Edmonton Journal*. We presume this is more difficult than splitting the atom.

According to the title of the latest book "The Devil Is a Lonely Man". Heck, with all this surplus of frou-frou what is the old boy waiting for?

De De Johnson, the Hollywood designer, fell down fifty feet into the Grand Canyon. "Down, Down Johnson!"

For Sale: Jersey cow that gives milk and new potatoes—classified ad in the *Saskatoon Star-Phoenix*. This seems to be a case of successful mixed farming.

THIS IS TERRIBLE

Three pigeons made a date to meet in a Calgary city park. These are not the same pigeons you once heard about. Two of them arrived on time, and after waiting hours the third one showed up with a limp and a black eye. "What's been keeping you and what happened to you?" they asked. "Oh," replied the latecomer, "I was caught in a badminton game."

—Thenx to G.B.

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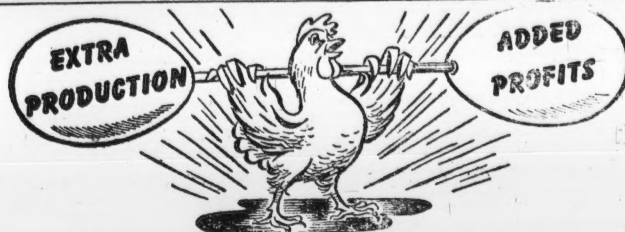
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